

# Emergency Conservation Program (ECP)-restores farm land damaged by natural disasters



# **Application Process**

- Call county office to arrange a site visit
- Producer applies on FSA-848
- FSA/NRCS evaluates needs
- FSA/NRCS conducts Environmental Review
- FSA County Committee issues approval
- Producer performs work
- Submits Final bills and documentation
- Payments are made when work is completed

# **Producers should NOT start work before FSA approval**

- ECP practices are considered started when:
  - Materials are purchased for the practice
  - A contract is signed
  - Physical work starts on the project



# Severe gullying on cropland



# Eligible land

- Crop land
- Hay land
- Pasture land used for grazing
- Maple Sugar orchards
- Fruit orchards
- Land used for farming
- Where conservation structures are installed

# **Eligible Practices**

- Debris removal on cropland
- Grading, Shaping, Releveling
- Restoring Permanent Fences for livestock
- Restoring Conservation Structures and other installations
- Drought Emergency measures
- Restoring Maple taps and tubing



# Debris removal on cropland





# ECP eligible damage





# Eligible Practices





# Removal of woody debris and restoration of Maple taps and tubing



# Grading shaping releveling on cropland





# **Items eligible for financial assistance**

Any direct or significant factors necessary to perform the practice may include:

- New or used materials
- Services
- Labor
- Equipment time
- Seed, fertilizer, lime (if approved)

# **Itemized statements shall include:**

- Dates of work performed
- Cost per hour charged for labor
- Type of equipment used
- Charges for equipment
- Type and cost of materials used
- Other applicable information

# **Dead lines for practice completion**

- 6 months for most ECP practices
  - Extensions may be granted if necessary
- 60 days for Drought Emergency Measures